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mail
Whitney North Seymour, Esq.
President
American Bar Association
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New York 5, New York

Dear Whitney:

I should dearly like to accept your flattering invitation to address the Regional Meeting of the American Bar Association in Indianapolis in May. I feel, however, I must regretfully decline.

In fact, I find it incompatible with meeting the responsibility of my work here to do public speaking that takes me away from Washington, except on the rarest occasions. In many ways, mine must be the "silent service".

I am sure you will understand my decision, and accept my appreciation for your having thought of me.

Sincerely,

SIGNED

Allen W. Dulles
Director

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